

News on the Fight-2 Project

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Divuligation of the Fight-two projet on the European Union's official website EIP-AGRI

The European Commission considered Project Fight-2 (development of oral vaccine for rabbit hemorrhagic disease) to be an innovative and relevant project for stakeholders in the European Union's agriculture and forestry sectors, highlighting it on the website of the Agricultural European Innovation Partnership (EIP-AGRI). See <https://ec.europa.eu/eip/agriculture/en/node/7221>

The screenshot shows the EIP-AGRI website interface. On the left is a navigation menu with options: Projects, Funding, Research needs, Project Ideas, People, and Online resources. The main content area is titled 'Edible vaccine for rabbits'. Below the title is a table with project details:

Geographical location	Portugal
Keywords	animal disease rabbit viral disease
Agricultural sectors	Other livestock and animal products
Main funding source	Other public (national, regional) research funds
Project acronym	FIGHT 2
Project type	Research project
Starting date	2018
End date	2021
Website	General information on the project

Below the table, the following information is provided:

- Title (in English):** Edible vaccine for rabbits
- Language:** English
- Objective of the project (native language):**
Wild rabbits are important to Mediterranean ecosystems in many ways: they are the main prey of more than 40 predator species, they contribute to the dispersal of many plant species, they shape the ecosystem with their grazing activities and the galleries they dig are used as shelter by many other species. Yet, their populations are declining due to viral diseases. One of the latest is caused by the hemorrhagic disease virus2, which also affects domestic rabbits. The virus is very difficult to eradicate due to its resistance in the environment and the fact that, beyond direct transmission, it can be

Fight-Two Project - Development of an edible vaccine for the control of viral hemorrhagic disease (RHDV2) in wild rabbits

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